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SUBJ: ASSASSINATION OF BRITISH AMBASSADOR

1. IN CONNECTION WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR
IN DUBLIN THE IRISH POLICE HAVE DETAINED THIRTEEN MEN FOR QUESTION-
ING,
INCLUDING WELL-KNOWN PROVISIONAL SINN FEIN AND IRA LEADER, DAITHI
O CONAILL (DAVID O'CONNEL). APPARENTLY THE ARRESTS HAVE NOT
PRODUCED ANY LEADS TO THE KILLERS.

2. O'CONAILL IS NOW LISTED AS "VICE PRESIDENT" OF THE POLITICAL
WING OF THE PROVISIONALS, I.E. THE PROVO SINN FEIN, BUT OUR
CONTACTS TELL US THAT HE HAS APPARENTLY MAINTAINED HIS POSITION
AS CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE PROVISIONAL IRA, PERHAPS THE LEADING
STRATEGIST. HE HAS WITHIN THE LAST YEAR BEEN MOSTLY IN PRISON,
SERVING TIME FOR BEING A MEMBER OF THE IRA, UNDER THE OFFENSES
AGAINST THE STATE ACT. OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS O CONAILL
HAS RECEIVED MUCH PUBLICITY, MAINLY BECAUSE HE IS PRESENTABLE
AND ARTICULATE. A GOVERNMENT SOURCE TOLD US THAT O CONAILL
WILL PROBABLY GET ANOTHER PRISON SENTENCE AS "BEING TOO DANGEROUS
TO BE LOOSE." CURLEY

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